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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before the above-captioned application is taken up for examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, after the title, insert

~~--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS~~

Sub 1
A2 This application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 national application of PCT/DK99/00664, filed November 29, 1999, and claims, under 35 U.S.C. 119, priority of Danish application nos. PA 1998 01572, filed November 27, 1998, PA 1998 01573, filed November 27, 1998, PA 1999 00391, filed March 22, 1999, PA 1999 01481, filed October 15, 1999, the contents of which are fully incorporated herein by reference.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-64 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

- A1*
65. A method of producing a lipolytic enzyme variant comprising:
- a) selecting a parent lipolytic enzyme having an alcohol binding site having a glycerol part with an sn2 position,